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HONDURAS, MEXICAN CITIZENS INDICTED FOR ILLEGAL RE-ENTRY TO THE U.S.

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a citizen of Honduras and a citizen of Mexico were indicted by a federal grand jury today, in separate and unrelated cases, for illegally re-entering the United States after having been previously deported.

* **Edgar Zavala-Nunez**, 34, of Honduras, was charged in an indictment returned by a federal grand jury in Springfield.

The federal indictment alleges that **Zavala-Nunez** re-entered the United States after having been previously deported from the United States. The indictment alleges that **Zavala-Nunez** was found on June 11, 2005, in Jasper County, Mo.

* **Noe Castro-Martinez**, 25, of Mexico, was charged in an indictment returned by a federal grand jury in Springfield.

The federal indictment alleges that **Castro-Martinez** re-entered the United States after having been convicted of an aggravated felony and deported from the country. The indictment alleges that **Castro-Martinez** was found on May 26, 2005, in Greene County, Mo.

Graves cautioned that the charges contained in these indictments are simply accusations, and not evidence of guilt. Evidence supporting the charges must be presented to a federal trial jury, whose duty is to determine guilt or innocence.

These cases were investigated by the Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

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